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Re: Request of Allegiance Telecom, Inc. for Special Temporary Authority for
the Transfer of Control of Coast to Coast Telecommunications, Inc. from
Rivien USA, LLC to Allegiance Telecom, Inc.

Dear Ms. Salas:

Allegiance Telecom, Inc. ("Allegiance Telecom"). by its undersigned counsel, and pursuant to Section **214** of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 9214, hereby requests expedited Special Temporary Authority ("STA") for the transfer of control of Coast to Coast Telecommunications, Inc. ("Coast") from Rivien USA, LLC ("Rivien") to Allegiance Telecom.¹ Allegiance Telecom respectfully requests that the Commission grant this STA **request as** soon as possible.

As detailed in the underlying application filed on September 26, 2001, and amended on November 6, 2001 (attached as Exhibit A). Coast provides domestic interexchange services pursuant to blanket domestic Section 214 authority and provides

¹ Coast provides domestic interstate telecommunications services pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.01 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.01.

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domestic intrastate service pursuant to its state authorization. Coast was a subsidiary of Rivien, which in turn, was a wholly owned subsidiary of Rivien Communications, Inc., a corporation that is in bankruptcy.

To effectuate the acquisition of Coast by Allegiance Telecom, Coast Acquisition Corp., a newly created Delaware subsidiary of Allegiance Telecom formed specifically for purposes of consummating the Transaction, merged with and into Coast. Coast was the surviving corporation in the merger. The acquisition was consummated on August 24, 2001, at which time Coast became a direct, wholly owned subsidiary of Allegiance Telecom.

Subsequently, on August 31, 2001, Allegiance Telecom transferred 100% of the stock in Coast to its direct, wholly owned Delaware subsidiary, Allegiance Telecom Company Worldwide. Coast is now a direct subsidiary of Allegiance Telecom Company Worldwide, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of Allegiance Telecom.

Allegiance Telecom respectfully requests that the Commission approve this request for Special Temporary Authority as soon as possible. Inadvertently and due to an administrative oversight, the parties to the transaction failed to notify the Commission of this transaction prior to its consummation. Allegiance Telecom assures the Commission that it will, in the future, seek all necessary prior approvals in compliance with Commission rules.

Grant of this STA request will serve the public interest. Coast is a relatively small international reseller and provider of domestic services. Allegiance Telecom and its operating subsidiaries provide telecommunications services in 34 markets across the country. Although Coast has a new corporate parent, Coast continues to provide high quality services to its existing customers, pursuant to its license, with no change in its name, services, or the rates, terms and conditions of service. In fact, due to the bankruptcy of Coast's ultimate parent company, Coast's acquisition by Allegiance Telecom helped ensure the financial stability of Coast and the provision of long-term, uninterrupted service. The acquisition of Coast by Allegiance Telecom has been transparent to Coast's customers in terms of the services that they currently receive, and at the same time, has had long-term beneficial effects because it ensures that these customers will continue to receive these services.

Accordingly, Allegiance Telecom respectfully requests grant of Special Temporary Authority as soon as possible. Allegiance Telecom acknowledges that grant of this request will not prejudice action by the Commission on the underlying transfer of control application and that any authority granted pursuant to this request is subject to cancellation or modification upon notice, but without a hearing.


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Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT A

**Application of Allegiance Telecom, Inc. for Approval to Transfer Control of the
Blanket Domestic Section 214 Authorization of Coast to Coast Telecommunications,
Inc. from Rivien USA, LLC to Allegiance felecom, Inc.**